Dream Act – Should the Dream Act be passed? Why or Why not?

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| Grade | Define | Pros- | Cons- | Your opinion | Presentation | Newsletter |
| Essential  Question | What is the Dream Act? | What are the reasons to support the Dream Act? | What are the reasons to oppose the Dream Act? | What is your opinion about the Dream Act? | How will you explain the Dream Act? | How can your newsletter represent the pros and cons of the Dream Act and your opinion? |
| A | Define Dream Act in your own words- credible source. Explains relevance to people’s lives | 3-5 Pro arguments- own words- credible source. Can explain in own words. 2 or more sources. | 3-5 Opposing arguments- credible source. Can explain in own words. 2 or more sources. | Explains your position backed by 3 reasons from research. Own words. | Present Thursday, great volume, rate, expression. Clear in explanation, answers questions accurately and comprehensively | No spelling errors, no grammatical errors 3 or more images- with sources properly cited. Articles completely explains definition/ pros/ cons/ your opinion. |
| B | Define Dream Act, source listed. Mostly in own words- some attempt to explain relevance | 3 Pro arguments-mostly own words. Credible source. | 3 Con arguments- Credible Source. | Explains position backed by 2 reasons. Mostly own words. | Present Thursday, good volume, rate, expression. Answers questions accurately and comprehensively | Few spelling/ grammatical errors. Sources cited. Mostly explains definition/ pros/ cons/ your opinion. |
| C | Define Dream Act- somewhat own words- unclear attempt to explain relevance | 2 Pro arguments- some not in own words. Source may not be credible | 2 Con arguments- some not in own words/ source may not be credible | Explains position by 2 reason/ not in own words | Present Thursday, fair volume, rate, expression. Answers some questions accurately and comprehensively | Some spelling/ grammatical errors. Sources cited. Little explanation of definition/ pros/ cons/ your opinion. |
| F | Definition copied/ and or unclear | 1 pro argument- no source listed | 1 con argument/ no source listed | Copies ideas with little/ explanation | Absent/ not ready to present Thursday | Little explanation of definition/ pros/ cons/ your opinion. |